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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DISTRIBUTING PAGES TO For:

INDIVIDUAL PRINT ENGINES IN A MULTIPLE PRINT ENGINE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review, please amend as follows the accompanying Rule 1.53(b) continuation application of pending prior application Serial No. 08/698,999 filed on August 16, 1996.

IN THE TITLE OF THE INVENTION

Please delete the present title of the invention and insert therefor --METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DISTRIBUTING PAGES TO INDIVIDUAL PRINT ENGINES IN A MULTIPLE PRINT ENGINE--.

IN THE TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION

Please delete the Technical Field of the Invention and insert the following:

The present invention pertains in general to electrophotographic print engines and, more particularly, to multiple print engines configured as a single print engine and the distribution of information thereto in a print job.--

IN THE CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS